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WIRELESS TELECOMUNICATIONS BUREAU

REGION 6 (NORTHERN CALIFORNIA) PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEES ANNOUNCE REGION 6 4.9 GHz PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING MEETING AND

700 MHz PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING MEETING

The Region 6 (Northern California)¹ Public Safety Regional Planning Committees announce two Regional Planning meetings.

The Region 6 4.9 GHz Public Safety Regional Planning Committee meeting will hold a planning meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 21, 2005, in Alameda County's OES facilities, at 4985 Broder Boulevard, Dublin, California. The agenda of the meeting includes:

- 1. Overview the FCC rules, their implications, and any intervening rule changes pertaining to this important broadband public safety 4.9 GHz allocation
- 2. Review status of ongoing efforts performed by the following organizations related to the 4.9 GHz public safety spectrum including:
 - o Federal Communications Commission (see http://wireless.fcc.gov/publicsafety)
 - National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (see http://www.npstc.org/ for related info)
 - Other entities, including ad hoc factions and other RPCs
- 3. Review 4.9 GHz workgroup progress to date culminating in the plan including:
 - 4940 to 4990 GHz survey results for determining each eligible agency's need for public safety frequencies in the 4.9 GHz band
 - Resolution in establishing coordination procedures for fixed and mobile broadband operations giving consideration to concerns and capabilities such as
 - Incident management protocols

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¹ Region 6 (Northern California) is comprised of the 48 counties of California situated north of the northernmost borders of San Luis Obispo, Kern and San Bernardino counties.

- Interference avoidance
- Interoperability
- Flexibility aimed at affording dynamic spectrum utilization
- 4. Approve the plan (for transmission to the FCC by mid-May, 2005)

The Region 6 700 MHz Public Safety Regional Planning Committee meeting will hold its planning meeting following the 4.9 GHz Public Safety Planning Committee meeting and is scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m., on Thursday, April 21, 2005, in Alameda County's OES facilities at 4985 Broder Boulevard, Dublin, California. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- 1. Review the status of ongoing or culminating efforts performed by the following organizations or quorums in advancing 700 MHz public safety spectrum guidelines and/or rules:
 - Federal Communications Commission (see http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs/public/attachmatch/FCC-05-9A1.pdf to review the FIFTH MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER, SIXTH REPORT AND ORDER, AND SEVENTH NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING released January 7, 2005 for WT Docket No. 96-86 and http://wireless.fcc.gov/publicsafety/700MHz/ for general 700 MHz-related info)
 - National Law Enforcement and Corrections Technology Center's CAPRAD spectrum management system (see http://caprad.nlectc.du.edu/cp/index.jsp for related info)
 - National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (see http://npstc.du.edu for related info)
 - Ad hoc political factions
- 2. Review, modify, and approve efforts to date of the following workgroups:
 - o Operations and Interoperability Plan
 - o Spectrum Plan
- 3. Review, modify, and approve workgroup milestones.

Both of the Region 6 Public Safety Planning Committee meetings are open to the public. All eligible public safety providers whose sole purpose or principal purpose is to protect the safety of life, health, or property in Region 6 would utilize these frequencies. It is essential that not only public safety, but all government, Native American Tribal, and non-governmental organizations eligible under Section 90.523 of the Commission's Rules be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate and represent your agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in the planning for the use of new public safety spectrum in the 4.9 GHz band and 700 MHz band are encouraged to attend. For further information about the meetings, please contact:

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